

Electric Picnic Traffic Plan



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To facilitate and maximize the free flow of Event Traffic to and from designated parking areas and in doing so creating a safe driving environment with minimum disruption to local and through traffic while catering for optimum Access and Egress for Emergency Vehicles should any incident occur.

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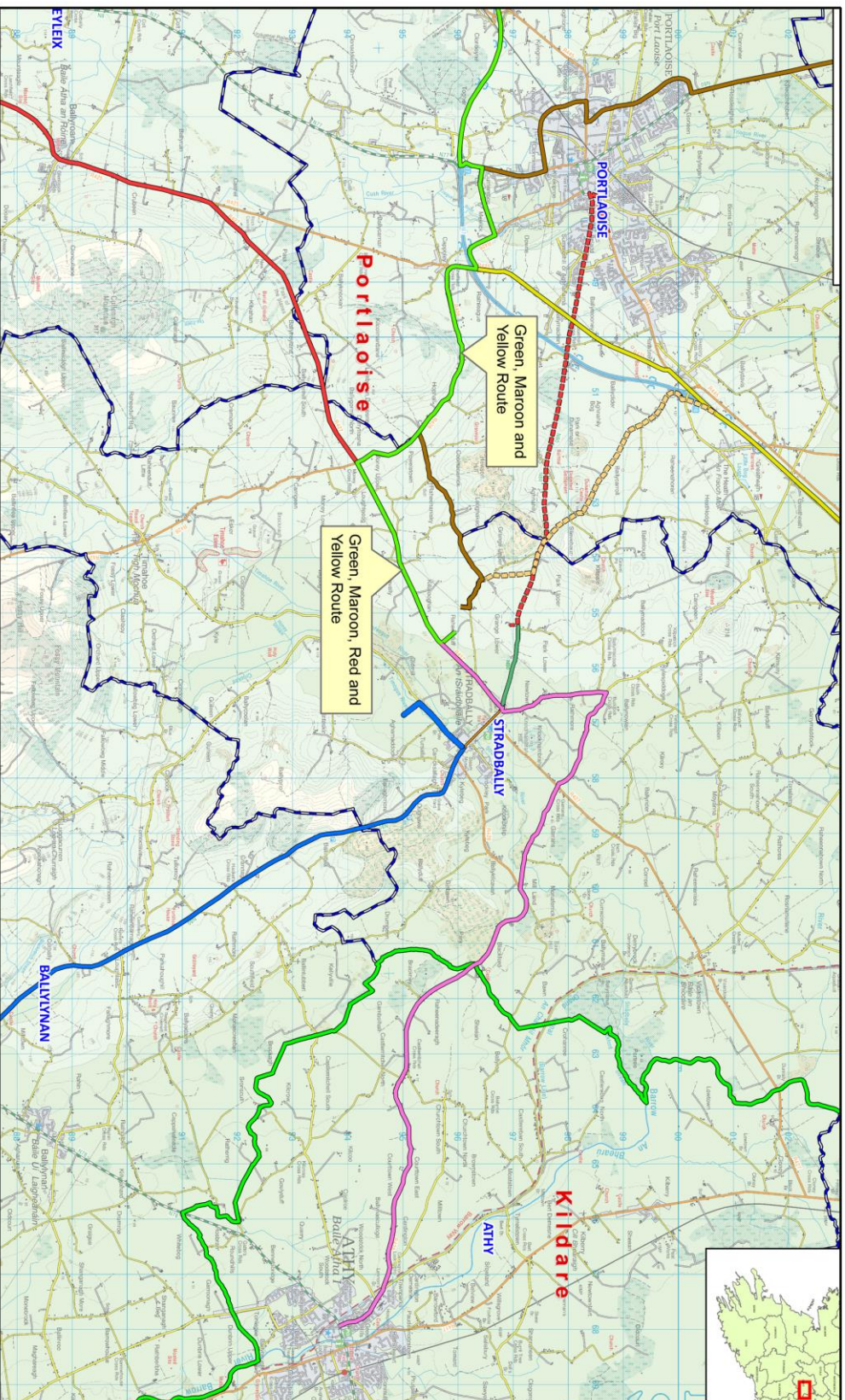
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**N.B. THERE WILL BE NO DEPARTURE FROM ANY ASPECT OF THIS
TRAFFIC PLAN WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL**

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TRAFFIC ROUTES

Electric Picnic Routes





1.1 M7 & NORTH

Traffic from M7 South Bound – Dublin & North

- **Event Traffic travelling Southbound on the M7 Motorway will exit from same at Junction 16 Ballydavis Portlaoise, and proceed onto the R445 (Old Dublin Road). On reaching Rathbrennan it will go left onto the R425 travelling straight through Bloomfield Cross and onto Sheffield Cross. At Sheffield Cross traffic will follow the main road left onto the R426 and continue to Money Cross. At Money Cross traffic will be diverted left onto the R427 and travel towards Stradbally via Cahill's Cross. From Cahill's Cross to Stradbally is a dedicated one-way system and two lanes of traffic in-ward will be operated to facilitate the heavy volume of traffic into Car Parks B, C, D & E.**
- **When volumes become heavy at Bloomfield Cross, some of the traffic from this route will be diverted off at Lamberton Cross or the R426 and will proceed into Ratheniska Village along the L-78320 turning left at the Church and continuing onwards where it will park at Car Park A.**
- **IF there is a build up of event traffic on the Southbound Lane of the Motorway at Junction 16, some traffic will be diverted from Junction 16 left along the L-7830-9 Ballycarroll, where it will merge with the N.80 at Park Upper. Here traffic will travel left along the N.80 for 300 meters and then turn right onto the L-783240 and proceed to park at Car Park A.**
- **All Relevant Junctions and Car Park entrances will have appropriate signage, lighting and will be controlled by Garda Personnel.**

ELECTRIC PICNIC 2022 – YELLOW ROUTE



1.2 M7 & SOUTH WEST

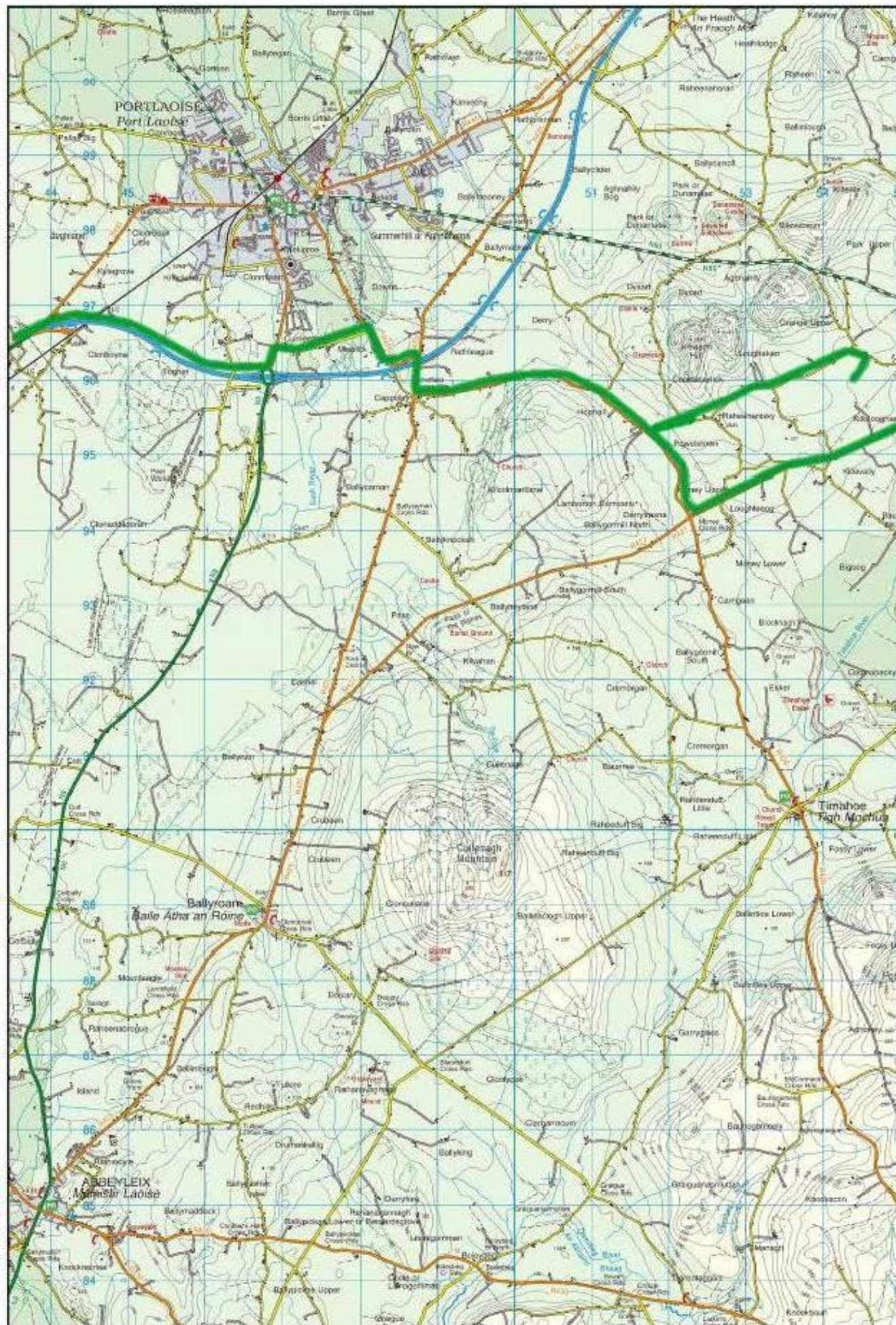
Traffic from M7 North Bound – Limerick & South West

- **Event Traffic travelling Northbound on the M7 Motorway will exit at Junction 17 Togher, Portlaoise, Co. Laois and proceed left towards Portlaoise town. At Meelick Junction with Abbeyleix Road, traffic will turn right onto the L-6310-0 and proceed onto the Timahoe Road (R426) turning right again until it joins with the R425 at Rathleague. At this point this traffic route will be merging with the Event Traffic from M7 South & Dublin. Traffic will proceed along the R426 to Money Cross where it will be diverted left via Cahill's Cross and onto Car Parks B & C. There will be a facility to have a dedicated two lanes of traffic from Cahill's Cross to the Car-Parks. This will be operated when the volume of traffic so dictate.**

- **When traffic volumes become heavy at Bloomfield Cross, some of the traffic from the R426 at Lamberton will be diverted left onto the L7832-0 via Ratheniska, and will proceed onto Car-Park A.**

- **All relevant Junctions and Car Parks Entrances will have appropriate signage, lighting and will be controlled by Garda Personnel.**

ELECTRIC PICNIC 2022 GREEN ROUTE

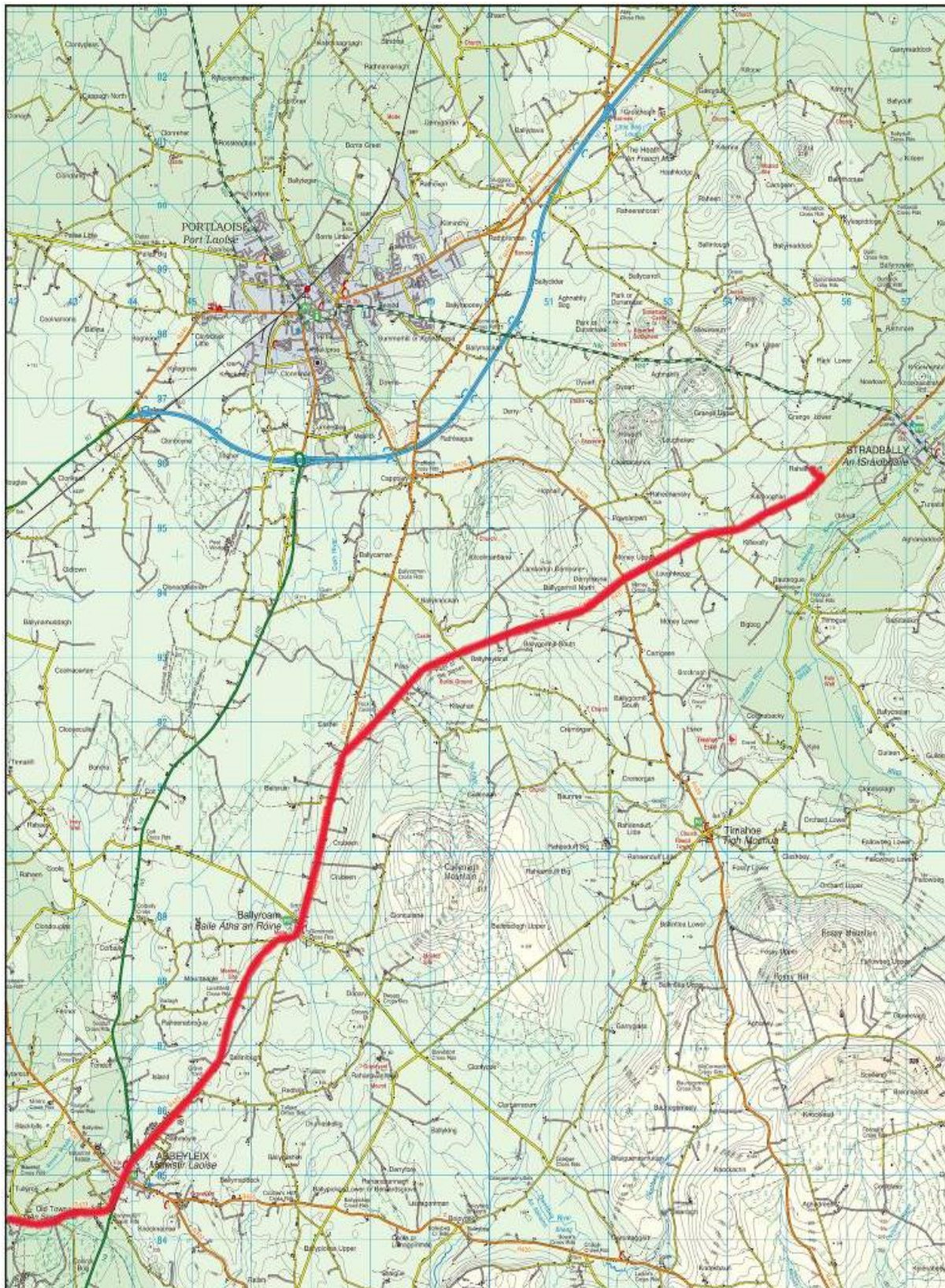


1.3 M8 & SOUTH

Traffic from M8 Northbound, Cork & South

- **Event Traffic travelling Northbound on the M8 Motorway will exit at Junction 3 Ballycolla, Abbeyleix, Co. Laois turn right onto the R433 and proceed via Ballycolla Village and onto Abbeyleix. At Abbeyleix town traffic will turn left on the N77 through the town and just before exiting Abbeyleix turn right onto the R425, towards Ballyroan Village and onto Cashel Cross. From here traffic will follow the main road to the right onto the R427 and will merge with other event traffic at Money Cross. Traffic will proceed via Cahill's Cross and onto Car Parks B & C.**
- **From Cahill's Cross to Stradbally there is a dedicated one way system and two lanes of traffic inward may be operated if the need arises to facilitate the heavy volumes of traffic into Car Parks B, C, D & E.**
- **All relevant Junctions and Car Park Entrances will have appropriate signage, lighting and will be controlled by Garda Personnel.**

ELECTRIC PICNIC 2022 – RED ROUTE



1.4 N.80 & SOUTH EAST

Traffic from N80, Carlow & South East

- **Event Traffic travelling from the South East and Carlow will travel along the N.80 and N.78 to Simmons Mills where it will proceed via the Windy Gap into Stradbally.**
- **Traffic will turn left in Court Square, Stradbally onto the Timahoe Road and will park on the left hand side in the Yellow Car Park.**
- **All relevant Junctions and Car Park entrances will have appropriate signage, lighting and will be controlled by Garda Personnel.**

ELECTRIC PICNIC 2022 BLUE ROUTE



1.5 N.80 & WEST

- **Event traffic travelling from the West will proceed via Mountmellick and onto Portlaoise town. On reaching Fairgreen roundabout/ N.80 Portlaoise Traffic will turn right onto the Ring Road until it reaches the Mountrath Road R445 where it will turn right. It will proceed to Rockdale Roundabout where traffic will turn left onto the Ring Road/Fr Brown Rd L-26964-0. Traffic will continue straight along the Portlaoise South Circular Ring Road until it reaches the O'Doran Roundabout. From here traffic will join the R426 travelling on to the Event Site via Sheffield Junction.**

- **From Cahill's Cross to Stradbally, there is a dedicated one-way system and two lanes of traffic in-ward may be operated if the need arises to facilitate heavy volumes of traffic into Car Parks B, C, D & E.**

- **When volumes of traffic become heavy at Bloomfield Cross, some of the traffic from the R426 at Lamberton will be diverted left onto the L7832-0 via Ratheniska and will proceed onto Car Park A.**

- **All relevant Junctions and Car Park Entrances will have appropriate signage, lighting and will be controlled by Garda Personnel.**

1.6 SPECIFIC ROUTE FOR COACHES/BUSES/SHUTTLE BUSES

- **All large Coaches, Buses & Shuttle Buses conveying event patrons must follow a stipulated route from Junction 16 off the M7 via the Heath into Stradbally to the designated drop off area at the bottom of Car Park Z**

- **All such vehicles on routes**

- 1.1 M7 South (Dublin & North)**
- 1.2 M7 North (Limerick & South West)**
- 1.5 N.80 (West)**

Will be directed towards Junction 16 on the M7 where they will proceed via the Heath into Stradbally town. They will disembark at a designated drop off area at the bottom of Car Park Z and leave Stradbally via the N80 to Portlaoise.

- **All such vehicles from**

- 1.3 M8 North (Cork & South)**

Will be directed towards Junction 16 on the M7 where they will proceed via the Heath into Stradbally town. They will disembark at a designated drop off area at the bottom of Car Park Z and leave Stradbally via the N80 to Portlaoise.

- **All such vehicles from**

1.4N.80 (South East)

Will when entering Stradbally at Court Square continue straight through the village and onto the Portlaoise road where they will disembark at a designated drop off area at the bottom of Car Park Z and leave Stradbally via the N80 to Portlaoise.

- **Large shuttle services from Portlaoise will comply with same routes and drop-offs of passengers, as Large Coaches & Busses**
- **For all SMALL busses conveying event patrons may use the N80 also.**
- **Small shuttle services from Portlaoise will drop off patrons in the Taxi area at the bottom of car park Z and may use the N80 Portlaoise/Stradbally road.**
- **The only exception to above will be accredited coaches conveying Event Organising Personnel, Performers, Artists and Crew.**
- **These busses will exit the M7 motorway at Junction 16 and proceed to Vicarstown Village where full accreditation of the bus crew will take place in the GAA grounds. When this is complete the bus will go directly to Gate 6. No delay of these accredited busses is expected.**
- **Vehicles carrying accredited performers will enter grounds via Gate 6 on the Main Street Stradbally (near Garda Station).**



1.7 THURSDAY TRAFFIC

- Event traffic travelling Southbound on the M7 Motorway will exit from same at Junction 16 Ballydavis, Portlaoise, and proceed onto the R445 (Old Dublin Road). On reaching Rathbrennan it will go left onto the R425 travelling straight through Bloomfield Cross and onto Sheffield Cross. At Sheffield Cross traffic will follow the main road left onto the R426 and continue to Money Cross. At Money Cross traffic will be diverted left onto the R427 and travel towards Stradbally via Cahill's Cross. From Cahill's Cross to Stradbally is a dedicated one-way system. From here it will turn left at Paintball and diverted into Green Car Parks.
- Event traffic travelling Northbound on M7 will exit at Junction 17 following the GREEN Route merging with Event Traffic to proceed as above.
- Event traffic travelling Northbound on the M8 will exit at Junction 3 travelling via Abbeyleix on the RED Route merging with Event Traffic to proceed as above.
- Event traffic travelling Westbound on N80 (Carlow & South East) will be directed into Stradbally and left at Court Square onto the Timahoe Road. Traffic will travel to Timogue Cross where it will be turned right to Cahill's Cross to proceed as above. There is no carparking available off the Timahoe Rd on Thursday.
- Buses, Taxis and Set downs will be directed to designated Set down area at top of Car Park Z.

Car Parks can only be accessed via the R427 Cahill's Cross. There will be no access to Car Parking from the N80 save for Taxis and Buses.

1.7(1) SUNDAY ONE DAY

TICKET TRAFFIC

- **On the Sunday of the Electric Picnic Concert a certain proportion of One-Day Tickets are available to the public and the majority of patrons will travel in Buses or private cars.**

- **Event Traffic from:**
 - M7 South (Dublin & North)**
 - M7 North (Limerick & South West)**
 - M8 North (Cork & South)**
- Will be directed to Junction 16 where it will proceed onto the R445 to Rathbrennan turning left onto R425 and onto Bloomfield Cross. At Bloomfield Cross traffic will be diverted left onto the N.80 and proceed into Stradbally. When it is approaching Stradbally all vehicles will park on the right hand side in Car-Parks X & Z.**
- **Event Traffic from N.80 West will proceed into Portlaoise Town and out the Stradbally Road (N80) via Bloomfield Cross and onto Stradbally Town. This traffic will also park in Car-Parks X & Z on the right hand side on the approach to Stradbally.**
- **Event Traffic from N.80 South East will turn left at Court Square, Stradbally and drive out the Timahoe Road, where traffic will park on the left hand side into Car- Park D (Yellow Car Park).**
- **All Relevant Junctions and Car Parks Entrances will have appropriate signage, lighting and will be controlled by Garda Personnel.**
- **All Buses, Coaches, Shuttle Buses will comply with the same routes as are used on the Friday**

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PARKING

2.1 Cars

There are eleven designated FREE car parks available to patrons attending the Electric Picnic Concert, namely;

Car park A	Car park V
Car park B	Car park W
Car park C	Car park X
Car park D	Car park Y
Car park E	Car park Z
Yellow Car Park	

- A** Patrons travelling from routes;
- M7 South (Dublin + North)
 - M7 North (Limerick + South West)
 - N.80 (West)
- Will park in Car Parks A, B, C, D & E
- B** Patrons travelling from Routes:
- 1.3 M8 North (cork and South)
- Will park in Car Parks B, C, D & E
- C** Patrons travelling from routes; -
- 1.4 N80 (South East)
- Will park in Yellow Car Park
- D** All patrons attending on the Sunday with the one-day ticket will park in car parks V, W, X, Y & Z. In the case of diversion Car Parks A, B, C, D & E will be utilised.
- E** If volumes of traffic from the M7 motorway become too extreme then this excess traffic will be parked in car parks V, W, X, Y & Z.

2.2 Buses, Coaches Shuttle

Buses

All large buses, coaches and shuttle buses bringing patrons to the Electric Picnic Concert are not expected to remain in Stradbally and will only be dropping off on the Friday and Sunday and collecting on Sunday night and/or Monday morning.

It is not foreseen that parking of these vehicles will be a problem and as a result there is no designated area for long-term parking of these vehicles.

For the purpose of collecting patrons on Sunday night and Monday morning all such vehicles will proceed to the designated set down/pick up area at the bottom of Car Park Z

These vehicles will approach the designated area from Junction 16, M7 motorway via the Heath into the top of Stradbally.

Large buses will be queued up in order of arrival at the Heath road and will be allowed proceed to the designated pick up area to load with passengers when their turn evolves.

2.3 Family Camping

Access for patrons who have tickets for Family Camping and have Camper Vans will park is on the Timahoe Road at GATE 4(A).

All other Family Camping patrons will park in the Abbey Field which is off the Main Street in Stradbally.

Having parked, all patrons will cross the Main Street, Stradbally and enter via Hunter's Lane and will be directed to their designated area.

Detailed directions to this area are supplied with ticket purchases.

2.4 Disabled Persons Vehicles

A specific area is reserved for parking and camping for patrons with disabilities. This area is located in the corner of the Camper Van parking area. Access to this area is Via GATE 4(A) on the Timahoe Road.

Patrons attending with one-day ticket on Sunday with a disability, park in a specified area in Car Park Z.

2.5 Camper Vans

Patrons attending in Camper vans will park in a designated area which is accessible via Apiary gate on the Timahoe Road, Stradbally.

Only camper vans that are properly accredited will be allowed enter the zone and patrons are advised to come to the event on Thursday evening or prior to the commencement of the event.

2.6 Staff Vehicles

The area reserved for staff parking is “Charter Road” Aghamaddock, which is off the Timahoe Road, Stradbally. All staff should be familiar with this location. While the majority of staff will arrive by Thursday, some staff are expected to arrive on Friday morning.

2.7 Garda Personnel

There is an area off the Main Street Stradbally which is designated for parking for all Garda Personnel working at the event. This is a secure area and is close to both the briefing venue and the grounds. It is located on the right hand side, just after the Civil Defence Station entering Stradbally from the Portlaoise direction. Additional parking has been secured at the Old School Grounds on the Vicarstown Road if required.

2.8 V.I.P

There is no reserved V.I.P Parking area

2.9 Road Side Parking

Road side parking in any area is not permitted. Vehicles parked on the road side or causing obstruction will be towed away.

ELECTRIC PICNIC CARPARKS 2022



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EMERGENCY

ROUTE

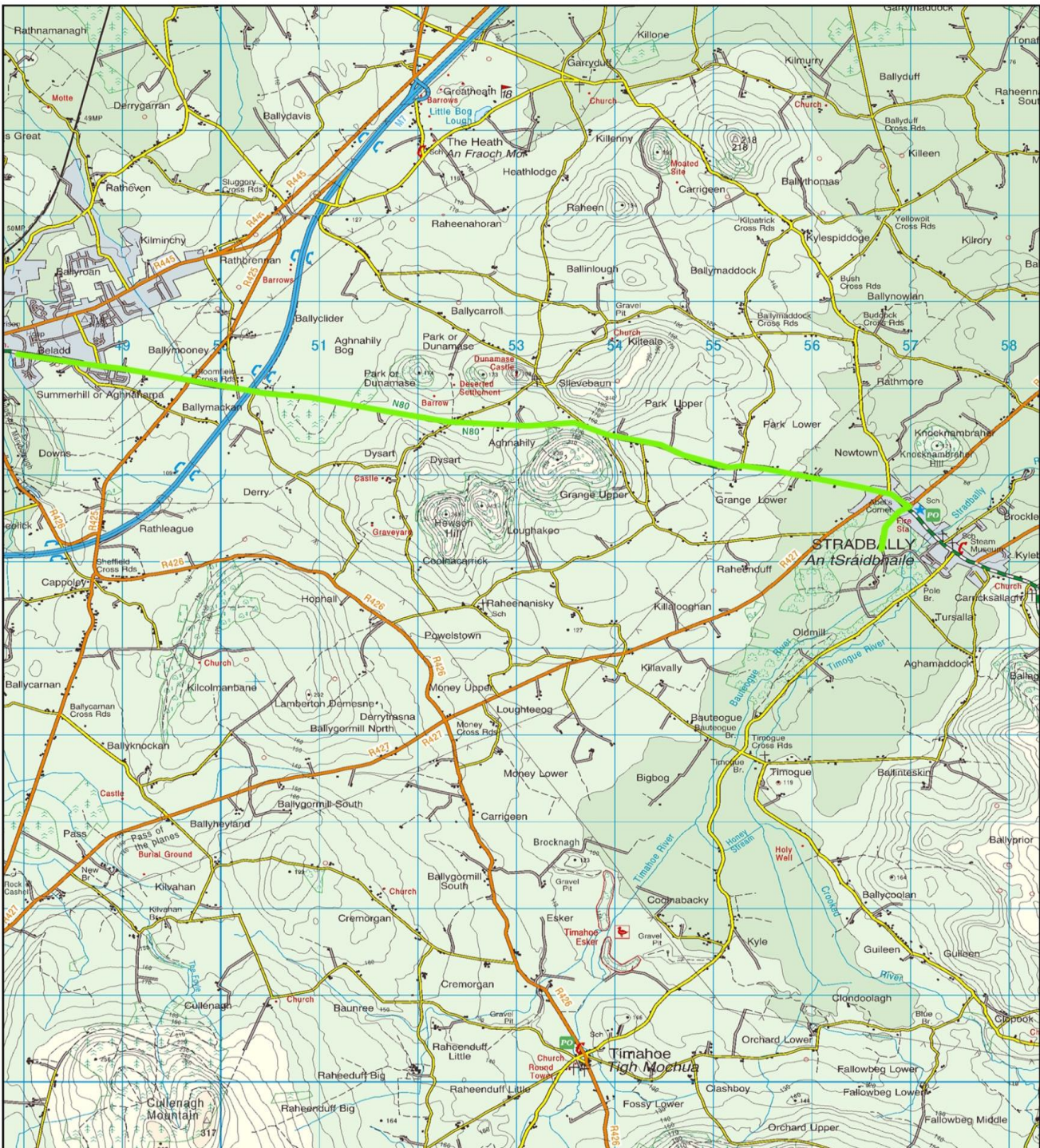
3.1 Emergency Route

The emergency route from the event ground is via Gate 6 onto Main Street Stradbally and left onto the N.80 towards Portlaoise Town.

The avenue area between GATE 6 and the Main Road (N80) will be kept clear at all times by security personnel.

A Garda presence will also be maintained throughout at the Main Road.

Electric Picnic - Emergency route



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**THROUGH
TRAFFIC**

4.1 Normal N.80 Traffic

Through traffic on the N.80 (Carlow-Stradbally-Portlaoise) will be advised/encouraged to use an alternate route.

N80 Westbound

This route entails turning left at Simmons Mills from the N80 onto the N78. Traffic will travel onto Newtown Cross where it turns right onto the R430 and proceed to Abbeyleix. Here traffic will turn right again on the N77 to Portlaoise.

N80 Eastbound

Traffic travelling from Portlaoise will divert left off the N80 at Bloomfield Cross onto Rathbrennan and right onto the R445. This traffic will remain on the R445 through Ballybrittas and into Monasterevin, Co. Kildare. On exiting Monasterevin town traffic will turn right onto R417, continuing through Kildangan, Athy, Mageney and rejoining the N80 at Carlow town.

On the Friday & Monday of the Electric Picnic, all HGV vehicles will have to take this diversion, however smaller vehicles will be encouraged to take this route. VMS boards will be strategically placed along the N80 a week prior to the Picnic advising regular users of this diversion route. Delays may be unavoidable through Stradbally Village; however, every effort will be made to keep these delays to a minimum.

4.2 Local Traffic

The Timahoe Road, and Athy Road, into Stradbally will have no restrictions and will operate as normal.

Traffic travelling from Vicarstown on the Friday will not be allowed to enter Stradbally and a diversion at Garrons Cross will be in place.

Traffic travelling from the Heath on the Friday; Sunday & Monday will be restricted and a diversion at Buddocks Cross may be introduced to facilitate the dedicated route for large buses/coaches making their way to the designated pick up/set down area.

Delays may be un-avoidable but every effort will be made to keep these delays to a minimum.

The Cork Road to Money Cross is officially closed to all non event traffic from 12 noon on Thursday 1st September to 4pm the following Monday 5th September. There is no facility for through traffic. Resident's Passes will be issued to all residents of the Cork Road to allow access from Abel's Corner to Paintball only.

5

ROAD CLOSURES

5.1 Road Closures

Laois County Council have granted a Road Closure Order in respect of the road from Money Cross to Abel's Corner on the Cork Road.

This road Closure is effective from 12noon on the Thursday until 4pm the following Monday, 5th September 2022.

There will be a dedicated one-way system in operation on the Road on Friday and will continue until peak traffic has subsided. This one-way system will operate fully from Cahill's Cross to the site. Both lanes will be utilised for inbound traffic.

No traffic will be permitted inwards past car Park B entrance (Cork Rd)

All residents in this area will have received written notification of the closure (See appendix 6&7)

6

SIGNAGE

6.1 Routes & Junctions

All routes Junctions and Parking Areas will be indicated with ample signage so as to assist maximum flow for traffic attending and exiting from the event.

6.2 V.M.S Signage

Mobile “Renwick” Signage will be utilised at points of strategic importance.

See Appendix 3 for location & Message on each required V.MS Board.

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TAXIS

7.1 Stradbally Town

The only designated Taxi Stand will be at the bottom of Car Park Z.

Access to this area is off the Portlaoise Road, Stradbally, and will be clearly sign posted and adequately lit up.

This access point will be manned by Garda personnel at all times.

The Taxi stand area itself will also be manned by Gardai and picnic Security Staff.

The area will be properly managed to ensure safe and proper pick-up and drop off of all Patrons using same.

8

DROP OFF
TRAFFIC

8.1 Stradbally Town

All traffic dropping or collecting patrons attending the event in the vicinity of Stradbally Town will be encouraged to do same in a designated area at the bottom of Car Park Z. (This is the same area being used by the Taxis.)

The entrance to this area is off the Portlaoise Rd, Stradbally Co Laois.

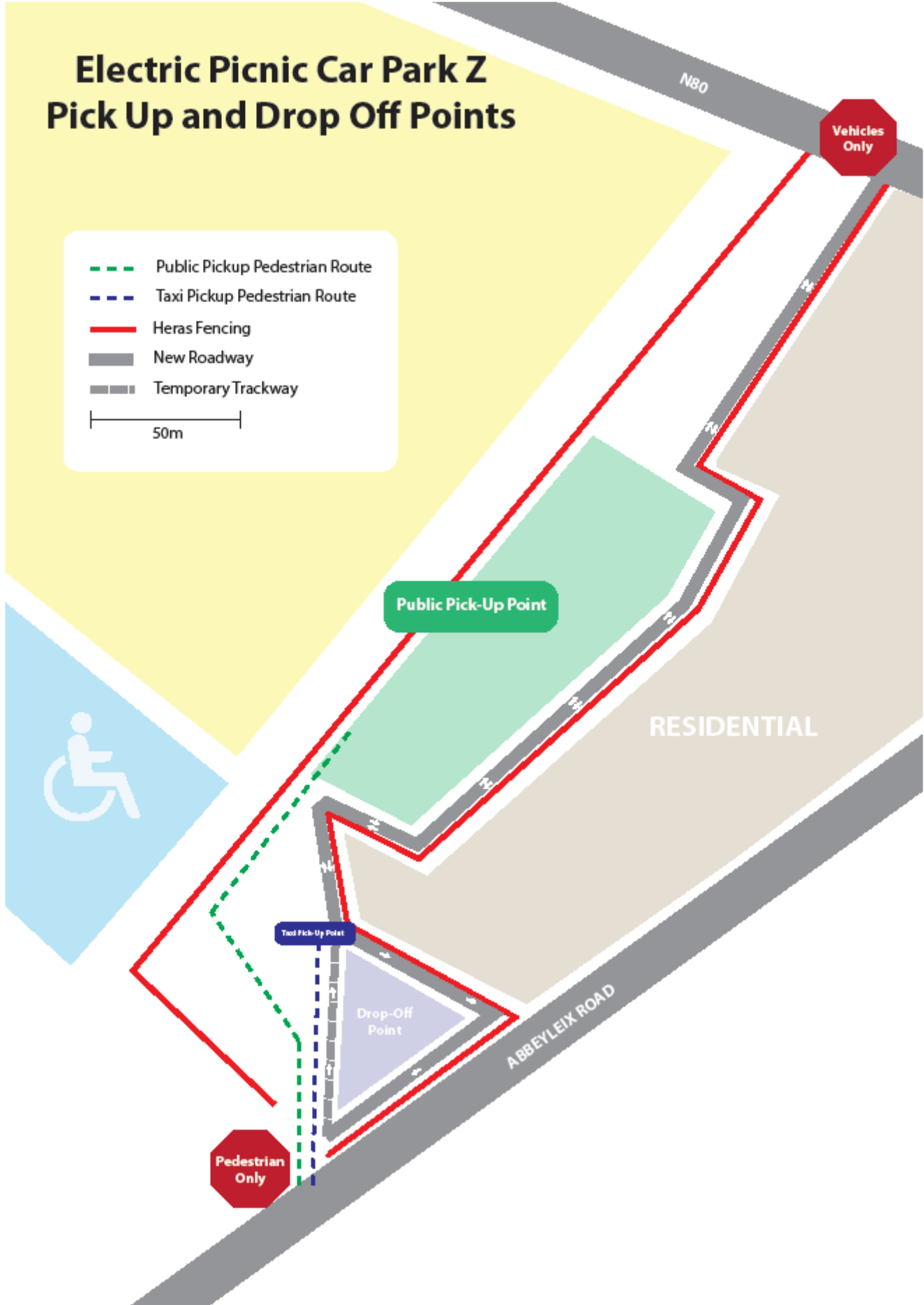
There will be a Garda presence at this entrance at all times, and it is imperative that all drop-offs vehicles are directed to the drop-off zone in Car Park Z, and no patrons are dropped at the entrance to the Zone.

This area will be clearly marked and adequately lit up.

Electric Picnic Car Park Z Pick Up and Drop Off Points

- Public Pickup Pedestrian Route
- Taxi Pickup Pedestrian Route
- Heras Fencing
- New Roadway
- Temporary Trackway

50m



8.2 Gate 2(A) Cork Road

All traffic travelling from Money Cross direction and intending on dropping off patrons will do so at the top of car-park B. This drop-off traffic will then proceed from the grounds via Dunne's farm at the top of Car-Park Y and exit left onto the N80.

This area will be clearly marked.

8.3 Gate A Car Park A

All traffic travelling from Ratheniska Village and intending on dropping off patrons will do so at the top of Car park A.

This drop-off traffic will then proceed from the grounds via Dunne's farm at the top of Car-Park Y and exit left onto the N80.

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TRADING

9.1 Trading

No casual trading permits have been issued/granted.

All off site trading is prohibited in the vicinity of the event site.

Any person observed to be setting up trading stalls of any sort will be dealt with immediately and will not be allowed to trade.

This applies to all public areas and designated parking areas.

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**TOUR DE
PICNIC**

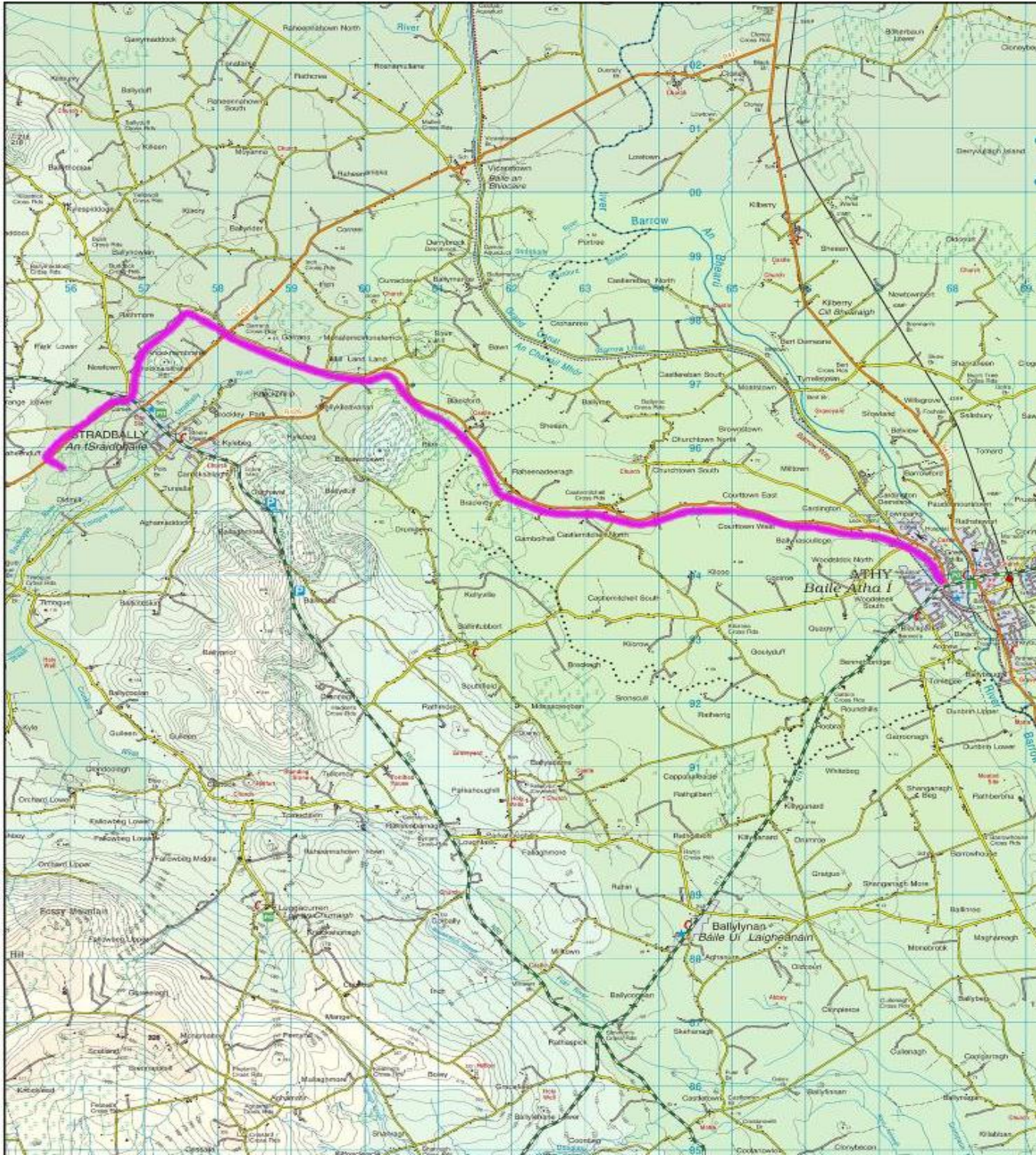
10.1 Tour De Picnic

Tour De Picnic is a sponsored 80km Cycle, from City West Hotel Dublin to Stradbally Co. Laois via Athy Co. Kildare. It also incorporates runners for the last 10kms from Athy to Stradbally.

Last year there were 600 cyclists and 500 runners.

The route set down for this event is from Athy towards Stradbally along the R428. At Mill Land Cross participants will turn right onto the L7939 to Garran's Cross roads, crossing Vicarstown Road (R427) onto R7938 until it reaches Buddock's Cross Roads.

At this point participants will turn left to Stradbally Town turning right and immediately left at Abel's Corner onto the Cork Road Stradbally. All participants will enter the Red Car Park.



11

TRAFFIC OUT

PLAN

11.1 Exiting Car Park A

All event traffic will exit at the top of Car Park A and travel to Ducks Cross and then onto R78324 to Park Upper. Here traffic will turn left onto the N80 and travel to Bloomfield Cross turning right onto the R425 until it reaches Rathbrennan (old Dublin Road from Portlaoise). Traffic will turn right onto R445 to Junction 16 and then onto the M7 north or South.

11.2 Exiting Car Parks B, C, D & E

All event traffic exiting car parks B, C, D & E will turn Right onto the R427 until it reaches Money Cross where it will turn right again onto R426 and travel just over Motorway fly over at Rathleague. Here traffic will turn left onto the R426 Timahoe Road until it reaches Meelick Road Junction where it turns left again onto the L6310-1 and proceeds to Abbeyleix Road junction. Finally traffic turns left and is onto the M7 motorway at Junction 17 Togher Portlaoise.

11.3 Exiting Car Parks V, W, X, Y & Z

All traffic will be diverted left on exiting the car park and proceed along the N80 towards Bloomfield Cross. It will merge with traffic from Car Park A (11.1 above) at park upper and proceed as set out in same to Junction 16 on M7 Motorway.

In the event of a build-up on this route private vehicles will be diverted right off the N80 at the Engineering works at Park Lower and will proceed to Ballymaddock Cross, turn right onto Buddock cross, to Garran's Cross. It will be directed left onto the R427 to Vicarstown Village. Here it will turn left to Junction 15 M7, Cappakeel

11.4 Exiting Yellow Car Park

All traffic exiting the Yellow car park will turn right onto the Timahoe road and proceed to Court square, Stradbally where it will then turn right onto the N80. Here traffic will drive straight on to Carlow/south east

11.5 Exiting Camper Vans

Camper vans will exit at the Apiary gate onto the Timahoe road and turn right into Timahoe village. All campervans wishing to travel to the south east will turn left in Timahoe via Newtown Cross and onto Carlow. All others will turn right in Timahoe and onto Money Cross where they will be merged with traffic exiting car parks B & C and proceed as set out in 11.2 above

11.6 Exiting of Buses

All buses will exit from the designated Set down/Pick up area onto the N80 and turn left towards Portlaoise. From here they will turn right onto the R425, until they reach Rathbrennan where they will turn right again along the R445. Buses will then proceed to Junction 16 entering into the M7 motorway North or South.

Busses travelling to N80 west will travel straight through at Bloomfield Cross onto Portlaoise and Mountmellick.

Busses travelling to N80 south east will turn left at Bloomfield Cross and onto Timahoe, Newtown Cross and Carlow.

AN GARDA SIOCHANA**ELECTRIC PICNIC – 2022****TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS & ROAD CLOSURES**

Please note the following traffic restrictions and road closures which are necessary in order to implement the Garda Traffic Plan for the above event from 12noon Thursday 1st September 2022 to 4pm Monday 5th September 2022.

ROAD CLOSURE; -

Money Cross to Stradbally (Cork Rd) is the only road closed.

From Cahill's Cross to Stradbally, this road will be closed to all non-event traffic from 12noon Thursday 1st September 2022 to 4pm Monday 5th September 2022.

On Friday there will be a strict one-way system in place, using both lanes, heading inward from Cahill's Cross. Local traffic is advised to avoid this area and use alternative roads.

Cork Road Junction to Paint Ball: -

Only vehicles displaying appropriate "Residents Pass" will be permitted to use this stretch of road but cannot proceed past the Black Door.

No traffic will be permitted inbound past Gate 2(A) at any time during the event.

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS: -**Road from Park Upper to Black Door via Grange and Raheenduff: -**

Out bound event traffic will be using this road from 6am to 4pm approx on Monday the 5th September 2022. .

Road from Lamberton Hall to Paintball via Ratheniska and Raheenduff.

This road will experience heavy inbound traffic on Friday from 10 am to 8 pm.

Heavy outbound traffic from 8am to 4 pm Monday.

Timahoe Road - Court Square to Oldmill.

Heavy traffic outward on Friday up to 10pm and inward on Monday to 4 pm.

Temporary traffic lights will be in place at the bridge as a safety measure.

All drivers are asked to use the utmost caution and remain alert for errant pedestrians particularly during hours of darkness.

Any inconvenience caused to residents in the general area is regretted

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ELECTRIC PICNIC STRADBALLY 2022

It is fully appreciated that members of the farming community in the Stradbally area, and particularly in the Cork Road area, will be more than anxious to avail of any suitable weather conditions for harvesting crops during the Picnic period.

Friday the 2nd September 2022 and Monday 5th September 2022 will see the heaviest movement of Electric Picnic associated traffic in the area.

From 12noon on Thursday the 1st September 2022 to 4pm Monday the 5th September 2022, the road from Cahill's Cross to Stradbally (Cork Road) will be closed to all non event traffic. Residents of Cork Road will only be permitted to travel outwards from Abel's Corner to paintball. No traffic will be permitted to travel outwards from Black Door.

There will be no through traffic allowed.

Vehicles transporting grain to Minch Northon's are advised to use either the Timahoe Road or main Portlaoise Road.

Lamberton Hall to Park /Ratheniska road will experience heavy traffic on both Friday and Monday.

All roads will experience heavy out bound traffic from the event site area up to 4pm on Monday. Some delays are to be expected.

Any inconvenience caused by the implementation of the Garda Event Traffic Plan is regretted and all efforts will be made to keep any such disruption to a minimum

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[“Rennick” VMS Electronic Signs – Electric Picnic Traffic Plan 2022](#)





The above signs will be required at strategic locations for effective implementation of the Traffic Plan.



The attached charts set out the locations for positioning of the signs, message required to be displayed on each day and times of message displayed.





There is no increase in the signage from previous year.

_____ Sergeant I/C Traffic Corps



INCOMING EVENT TRAFFIC



DAY	LOCATION	MESSAGE TO BE DISPLAYED
FRIDAY, SATURDAY and SUNDAY (8am Friday to 5pm Sunday)	1. M7 Southbound – immediately after Exit 15	“ELECTRIC PICNIC - NEXT EXIT “ “STAY IN LEFT LANE “
	2. M7 Southbound - 1000m prior to Exit 16	ELECTRIC PICNIC NEXT EXIT 
	3. Ballyclider Road prior to Bloomfield Roundabout	ELECTRIC PICNIC  CAMPER VANS & COACHES  (Friday only)
	Saturday & to 5pm Sunday	ELECTRIC PICNIC 

DAY	LOCATION	MESSAGE TO BE DISPLAYED
	4. Cork Rd, Stradbally. Cahill's Cross	<p style="text-align: right;">Saturday & to 5pm</p> <p>Sunday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">USE BOTH LANES  (Friday only)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">" ROAD CLOSED – NO THROUGH TRAFFIC" (Saturday, Sunday and Monday to 3pm)</p>
FRIDAY ONLY	1. M8 Northbound - prior to Exit 4	<p>ELECTRIC PICNIC NEXT EXIT</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>


	(Urlingford)	
	2, ABBEYLEIX - Town side of Ballyroan Junction	ELECTRIC PICNIC 
	3. MEELICK Rd / ABBEYLEIX Rd Junction, Portlaoise Facing towards Togher roundabout (Junction 17)	ELECTRIC PICNIC 
FRIDAY	4. M7 Northbound – prior to Exit 17	ELECTRIC PICNIC NEXT EXIT  (Friday Only)
SATURDAY and SUNDAY		ELECTRIC PICNIC EXIT 16  Saturday and to 5pm Sunday

OUTGOING EVENT TRAFFIC

DAY	LOCATION	MESSAGE TO BE DISPLAYED
Saturday, Sunday and Monday to 3pm	1. Cork Rd, Stradbally. Cahill's Cross (No location change)	" ROAD CLOSED – NO THROUGH TRAFFIC" (Saturday, Sunday and Monday to 3pm)
From 5pm Sunday to 3pm Monday	2. Money Cross, Cork Rd, Facing towards event site	ALL ROUTES 
	3. Sheffield Junction. (Prior to Bridge over motorway)	ALL ROUTES 

	4. Meelick/Timahoe Rd Junction (facing Sheffield Junction)	ALL ROUTES 
	5. Abbeyleix Road/Meelick Junction	ALL ROUTES 

OUTGOING EVENT TRAFFIC

DAY	LOCATION	MESSAGE TO BE DISPLAYED
From 5pm Sunday to 3pm Monday	6. Bloomfield Roundabout (facing Stradbally)	ALL ROUTES 

	<p>7. Ballyclider Rd/ Dublin Rd Junction</p>	<p>ALL ROUTES</p> <p>→</p>
	<p>8. Stradbally Village (Portlaoise side of and prior to Vicarstown Rd)</p>	<p>“M7 North & South”</p> <p>←</p> <p>CARLOW & ATHY ↑</p>